

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently Amended) A method for transporting ~~the a~~ a high pullulan content liquid whereby the high pullulan content liquid remains stable during transport ~~of claim 1,~~ which comprises a step of (a) injecting said high pullulan content liquid into a member selected from the group consisting of various shapes and volumes of containers; tanks; containers loaded into or equipped on trains, ships, airplanes, and trucks; and tank trucks; and (b) transporting said high pullulan content liquid of under a temperature condition of 8 to 14 12°C or lower, wherein said high pullulan content liquid has a viscosity of 2.5 to 200 mm²/s in terms of a pullulan concentration of 10% (w/w) when determined at 30°C on the Ubelode viscometer method, a common bacterial count of less than 31 cells/g product, a negativity with respect to coliform group, a pH of 5.9 to 7.0, and a pullulan concentration of 25 to 40% (w/w), and said pullulan has a weight-average molecular weight (MW) of 10,000 to 500,000.

Claims 7-15. (Cancelled)

16. (New) The method of claim 6, wherein said high pullulan content liquid further contains one or more disinfectants and/or bacteriostats.

17. (New) The method of claim 16, wherein said disinfectants and/or said bacteriostats comprise ethanol.